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Sir/

I wrote you some days ago by Mr Richardson who brought me five thousand dollars, which will not be sufficient to pay for what provision we have purchased & transporting it to this place, if a convenient opportunity should be glad you could send down what money you can conveniently spare, as without it we shall do but very little here, I cannot make you a proper return at present as I have not rec.d this week returns from my assistants, as soon as they come in shall transmit you my return — there is sent to this place by my Bro Gd. a large quantity of Lead, & I have procured near three thous.d w.t. should be glad to know whether that is to be sent to Cambridge. as Waggons are extremely hard to get. altho. Mr Gald. Mr Lydia agent. has given much higher wages than is allowed by our Act of Assembly, yet we have been obliged to impress to get the Continental Goods sent forw.d, the Merchants have paid as high as thirty dollars for carting tobacco to Jericoteag — I am now shipping two sloops loads of Pork & Bacon to Johnsons ferry as soon as I know what they will carry shall let you know it — I have not had an opportunity yet to send your Linen to Annapolis. shall send it by the first safe hand. with some things to Mr Wallis, if we can get them

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